IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT FOR THE NORTHERN DISTRICT OF GEORGIA ATLANTA DIVISION

KENNY FAULK,	
Plaintiff,	CIVIL ACTION NO: 1:21-cv-01850-MLB
v.	
DIMERCO EXPRESS (USA) CORP.,	
Defendant.	

AMENDED CONSOLIDATED PROPOSED PRETRIAL ORDER

1.

There are no motions or other matters pending for consideration by the court except as noted:

The parties have filed motions in limine, which are currently pending adjudication by the Court. Plaintiff has also moved for leave to obtain limited discovery related to Defendant's financial condition.

2.

All discovery has been completed, unless otherwise noted, and the court will not consider any further motions to compel discovery. (Refer to LR 37.1B). Provided there is no resulting delay in readiness for trial, the parties shall, however, be permitted to take the depositions of any persons for the preservation of evidence and for use at trial.

Apart from Plaintiff's pending motion for leave to obtain discovery related to Defendant's financial condition, discovery has been completed.

Unless otherwise noted, the names of the parties as shown in the caption to this Order and the capacity in which they appear are correct and complete, and there is no question by any party as to the misjoinder or non-joinder of any parties.

There is no dispute as to the correct and complete name of the Parties. There is no question as to the misjoinder or non-joinder of any parties.

4.

Unless otherwise noted, there is no question as to the jurisdiction of the court; jurisdiction is based upon the following code sections. (When there are multiple claims, list each claim and its jurisdictional basis separately.)

The Court has jurisdiction over Plaintiff's claims under 28 U.S.C. § 1331 and 42 U.S.C. § 1981.

5.

The following individually-named attorneys are hereby designated as lead counsel for the parties:

Plaintiff: V. Severin Roberts

Defendant: Steven M. Stastny

6.

Normally, the plaintiff is entitled to open and close arguments to the jury. (Refer to LR39.3(B)(2)(b)). State below the reasons, if any, why the plaintiff should not be permitted to open arguments to the jury.

None.

7.

The captioned case shall be tried:

(X)	to a jury or
(_) to the court without a jury, or
(_) the right to trial by jury is disputed.

State whether the parties request that the trial to a jury be bifurcated, i.e. that the same jury consider separately issues such as liability and damages. State briefly the reasons why trial should or should not be bifurcated.

The parties do not request that the trial to a jury be bifurcated. The factual and legal issues relating to Plaintiff's claims are not complicated and there is little to be gained by potentially requiring witnesses to return for a second round of testimony pertaining to damages.

9.

Attached hereto as Attachment "A" and made a part of this order by reference are the questions which the parties request that the court propound to the jurors concerning their legal qualifications to serve.

10.

Attached hereto as Attachment "B-1" are the general questions which plaintiff wishes to be propounded to the jurors on voir dire examination.

Attached hereto as Attachment "B-2" are the general questions which defendant wishes to be propounded to the jurors on voir dire examination.

The court shall question the prospective jurors as to their address and occupation and as to the occupation of a spouse, if any. Counsel may be permitted to ask follow-up questions on these matters. It shall not, therefore, be necessary for counsel to submit questions regarding these matters. The determination of whether the judge or counsel will propound general voir dire questions is a matter of courtroom policy which shall be established by each judge.

State any objections to Plaintiff's voir dire questions:

See addenda to Attachment "B-1."

State any objections to Defendant's voir dire questions:

See addenda to Attachment "B-2."

12.

All civil cases to be tried wholly or in part by jury shall be tried before a jury consisting of not less than six (6) members, unless the parties stipulate otherwise. The parties must state in the space provided below the basis for any requests for additional strikes. Unless otherwise directed herein, each side as a group will be allowed the number of peremptory challenges as provided by 28 U.S.C. § 1870. See Fed. R. Civ. P. 47(b).

The parties do not request additional peremptory strikes. The parties reserve the right to seek additional strikes from the Court should circumstances arise during *voir dire* or jury selection necessitating additional strikes.

13.

State whether there is any pending related litigation. Describe briefly, including style and civil action number.

There is no pending related litigation.

14.

Attached hereto as Attachment "C" is plaintiff's outline of the case which includes a succinct factual summary of plaintiff's cause of action and which shall be neither argumentative nor recite evidence. All relevant rules, regulations, statutes, ordinances, and illustrative case law creating a specific legal duty relied upon by plaintiff shall be listed under a separate heading. In negligence cases, each and every act of negligence relied upon shall be separately listed. For each item of

damage claimed, plaintiff shall separately provide the following information: (a) a brief description of the item claimed, for example, pain and suffering; (b) the dollar amount claimed; and (c) a citation to the law, rule, regulation, or any decision authorizing a recovery for that particular item of damage. Items of damage not identified in this manner shall not be recoverable.

See Attachment "C."

15.

Attached hereto as Attachment "D" is defendant's outline of the case, which includes a succinct factual summary of all general, special, and affirmative defenses relied upon and which shall be neither argumentative nor recite evidence. All relevant rules, regulations, statutes, ordinances, and illustrative case law relied upon as creating a defense shall be listed under a separate heading. For any counterclaim, the defendant shall separately provide the following information for each item of damage claimed: (a) a brief description of the item claimed; (b) the dollar amount claimed; and (c) a citation to the law, rule, regulation, or any decision authorizing a recovery for that particular item of damage. Items of damage not identified in this manner shall not be recoverable.

See Attachment "D." There is no counterclaim.

16.

Attached hereto as Attachment "E" are the facts stipulated by the parties. No further evidence will be required as to the facts contained in the stipulation and the stipulation may be read into evidence at the beginning of the trial or at such other time as is appropriate in the trial of the case. It is the duty of counsel to cooperate fully with each other to identify all undisputed facts. A refusal to do so may result in the imposition of sanctions upon the noncooperating counsel.

See Attachment "E." The parties reserve the right to offer evidence on any of the stipulated facts.

17.

The legal issues to be tried are as follows:

List of Legal Issues to be Tried:

Plaintiff's Submission:

- (1) Whether Defendant unlawfully discriminated against Plaintiff in violation of 42 U.S.C. § 1981;
- (2) If Defendant violated 42 U.S.C. § 1981 by discriminating against Plaintiff, whether Plaintiff has proven damages, and, if so, in what amount(s).

Defendant's Submission:

- (1) Whether Plaintiff presents direct evidence of race discrimination under 42 U.S.C. § 1981.
- (2) Whether Plaintiff establishes a *prima facie* case of race discrimination under 42 U.S.C. § 1981.
- (3) Whether Dimerco articulates a legitimate nondiscriminatory reason for the employment decisions it took concerning Plaintiff.
- (4) Whether Plaintiff provides specific and substantial evidence to prove beyond a preponderance of the evidence that the reasons offered by Dimerco were pretext.
- (5) Whether the Plaintiff proves, by a preponderance of the evidence that the reason offered by Dimerco is pretext for illegal race discrimination.
- (6) Whether or not Plaintiff prevails on or establishes respect the foregoing item (1) through (5), or all of them, Plaintiff must prove by a preponderance of the evidence that his race was the but-for reason for Defendant's employment decisions it took concerning Plaintiff.

- (7) Whether Plaintiff proves by a preponderance of the evidence that he is entitled to back pay damages.
- (8) Whether Dimerco succeeds in proving that Plaintiff's back pay damages should be reduced in part or completely because Plaintiff failed to mitigate his damages, or because of an intervening or unrelated interruption to Plaintiff's mitigating employment or Plaintiff's own decisions or actions.
- (9) Whether Dimerco succeeds in proving that Plaintiff's claims for back pay damages and other equitable relief are barred completely or in part by the after-acquired evidence rule or doctrine.
- (10) Whether Plaintiff proves by a preponderance of the evidence that he is entitled to compensatory damages.
- (11) Whether Dimerco succeeds in proving that Plaintiff's compensatory damages should be reduced in part or completely based upon contemporaneous factors not related to the employment decisions Dimerico took concerning Plaintiff.
- (12) Whether Plaintiff proves by a preponderance of the evidence that he is entitled to punitive damages under the applicable standard(s).
- (13) Whether Dimerco succeeds in proving that Plaintiff's punitive damages should be reduced in part or completely because Dimerco engaged in good faith efforts to implement its policies prohibiting and addressing discrimination.
- (14) Whether Dimerco succeeds in proving that Plaintiff's punitive damages should be reduced in part or completely for other reasons including the after-acquired evidence defense.

Attached hereto as Attachment "F-1" for the plaintiff and Attachment "F-2" for the defendant is a list of all the witnesses and their addresses for each party. The list must designate the witnesses whom the party will have present at trial and those witnesses whom the party may have present at trial. Expert (any witness who might express an opinion under Rule 702), impeachment and rebuttal witnesses whose use as a witness can be reasonably anticipated must be included. Each party shall also attach to the list a reasonable specific summary of the expected testimony of each expert witness. All of the other parties may rely upon a representation by a designated party that a witness will be present unless notice to the contrary is given ten (10) days prior to trial to allow the other party(s) to subpoena the witness or to obtain the witness's testimony by other means. Witnesses who are not included on the witness list (including expert, impeachment and rebuttal witnesses whose use should have been reasonably anticipated) will not be permitted to testify, unless expressly authorized by court order based upon a showing that the failure to comply was justified.

See Attachments "F-1" and "F-2."

19.

Attached hereto as Attachment "G-1" for the plaintiff and "G-2" for the defendant are the typed lists of all documentary and physical evidence that will be tendered at trial. Learned treatises which are expected to be used at trial shall not be admitted as exhibits. Counsel are required, however, to identify all such treatises under a separate heading on the party's exhibit list. Each party's exhibits shall be numbered serially, beginning with 1, and without the inclusion of any alphabetical or numerical subparts. Adequate space must be left on the left margin of each party's exhibit list for court stamping purposes. A courtesy copy of each party's list must be submitted for use by the judge. Prior to trial, counsel shall mark the exhibits as numbered on the attached lists by affixing numbered yellow stickers to plaintiff's exhibits, numbered blue stickers to defendant's exhibits, and numbered white stickers to joint exhibits. When there are multiple plaintiffs or defendants, the surname of the particular plaintiff or defendant shall be shown above the number on the stickers for that party's exhibits. Specific objections to another party's exhibits must be typed on a separate page and must be attached to the exhibit list of the party against whom the objections are raised. Objections as to authenticity, privilege,

competency, and, to the extent possible, relevancy of the exhibits shall be included. Any listed document to which an objection is not raised shall be deemed to have been stipulated as to authenticity by the parties and shall be admitted at trial without further proof of authenticity. Unless otherwise noted, copies rather than originals of documentary evidence may be used at trial. Documentary or physical exhibits may not be submitted by counsel after filing of the pretrial order, except upon consent of all the parties or permission of the court. Exhibits so admitted must be numbered, inspected by counsel, and marked with stickers prior to trial. Counsel shall familiarize themselves with all exhibits (and the numbering thereof) prior to trial. Counsel will not be afforded time during trial to examine exhibits that are or should have been listed.

See Attachments "G-1" and "G-2."

20.

The following designated portions of the testimony of the persons listed below may be introduced by deposition. Any objections to the depositions of the foregoing persons or to any questions or answers in the depositions shall be filed in writing no later than the day the case is first scheduled for trial. Objections not perfected in this manner will be deemed waived or abandoned. All depositions shall be reviewed by counsel and all extraneous and unnecessary matter, including non-essential colloquy of counsel, shall be deleted. Depositions, whether preserved by stenographic means or videotape, shall not go out with the jury.

Plaintiff reserves the right to use at trial any depositions taken in this case in accordance with Fed. R. Civ. P. 32 and Fed. R. Evid. 803, 804, 805, 806, or 807.

Plaintiff further identifies the following designated portions of deposition testimony to be introduced at trial, and accompanying Exhibits, subject to the Court's rulings on Defendant's objections.

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- p. 14:13 15:8; Ex. 1 (Dimerco 90-92)
- p. 26:13 29:15; Ex. 2 (Dimerco 238)
- p. 29:16 32:12; Ex. 3 (Dimerco 7949-7958)
- p. 32:23 35:20; Ex. 4 & Ex. 5 (Dimerco 9829-9830; Dimerco 7945)
- p. 35:21 36:24; Ex. 4 & Ex. 5(Dimerco 9829-9830; Dimerco 7945)
- p. 37:6 38:21; 39:5-41:21; Ex. 13 (Dimerco 216); Ex. 6 (Dimerco 9919-9921)
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- p. 43:7 44:3; 44:10 47:7; Ex. 8 (Dimerco 470-472)
- p. 47:12 48:5; Ex. 9 (Dimerco 5911)
- p. 48:6 52:19; Ex. 10 (Dimerco 6614- 6617)
- p. 52:20 54:23; Ex. 10 (Dimerco 6614)
- p. 54:24 55:5; Ex. 10 (Dimerco 6614)
- p. 55:22 25; 56:14 25; Ex. 10 (Dimerco 6614)
- p. 57:12 58:13; Ex. 11 (Dimerco 7922)

Deposition of Renee Howard and Accompanying Video

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Defendant also reserves the right to use at trial any depositions taken in this case in accordance with Fed. R. Civ. P. 32 and Fed. R. Evid. 803, 804, 805, 806, or 807.

Defendant further identifies the following designated portions of deposition testimony to be introduced at trial, and accompanying Exhibits, subject to the Court's rulings on Plaintiff's objections, if any.

Deposition of Renee Howard and Accompanying Video

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Defendant's objection.

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21.

Attached hereto as Attachments "H-1" for the plaintiff and "H-2" for the defendant are any trial briefs which counsel may wish to file containing citations to legal authority concerning evidentiary questions and any other legal issues which counsel anticipate will arise during the trial of the case. Limitations, if any, regarding the format and length of trial briefs is a matter of individual practice which shall be established by each judge.

The parties reserve the right to file trial briefs by the date of trial, and subject to the limitations (if any) regarding format and length, as established by the Court.

22.

In the event this is a case designated for trial to the court with a jury, requests for charge must be submitted no later than 9:30 a.m. on the date on which the case is calendared (or specially set) for trial. Requests which are not timely filed and which are not otherwise in compliance with LR 51.1, will not be considered. In addition, each party should attach to the requests to charge a short (not more than one (1) page) statement of that party's contentions, covering both claims and defenses, which the court may use in its charge to the jury. Counsel are directed to refer to the latest edition of the Eleventh Circuit District Judges Association's Pattern Jury Instructions and Devitt and Blackmar's Federal Jury Practice and Instructions in preparing the requests to charge. For those issues not covered by the Pattern Instructions or Devitt and Blackmar, counsel are directed to extract the applicable legal principle (with minimum verbiage) from each cited authority.

The parties will submit requests for charge as instructed by the Court.

23.

If counsel desire for the case to be submitted to the jury in a manner other than upon a general verdict, the form of submission agreed to by all counsel shall be shown in Attachment "I" to this Pretrial Order. If counsel cannot agree on a special form of submission, parties will propose their separate forms for the consideration of the court.

The Parties respectfully request that they be permitted to submit special verdict forms to the Court within 7 days of the pretrial conference.

24.

Unless otherwise authorized by the court, arguments in all jury cases shall be limited to one-half hour for each side. Should any party desire any additional time for argument, the request should be noted (and explained) herein.

Not applicable.

25.

If the case is designated for trial to the court without a jury, counsel are directed to submit proposed finding of fact and conclusions of law not later than the opening of trial.

Not applicable.

26.

On August 18, 2022, Plaintiff's counsel provided Defendant with several available dates to complete the settlement conference required by LR 16.3. Defendant did not respond to Plaintiff's correspondence. The court () has or (X) has not discussed settlement of this case with counsel. It appears at this time that there is:

	A good possibility of settlement.
	Some possibility of settlement.
	Little possibility of settlement.
X	No possibility of settlement.

27.

Unless otherwise noted, the court will not consider this case for a special setting, and it will be scheduled by the clerk in accordance with the normal practice of the court.

The Court has set this matter for trial, to commence on October 16, 2023.

28.

The plaintiff estimates that it will require 2 days to present its evidence. Defendant estimates that it will require 2 days to present its evidence. Therefore it is estimated that the total trial time is 4 days.

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IT IS HEREBY ORDERED that the above constitutes the pretrial order for the above captioned case (_____) submitted by stipulation of the parties or (_____) approved by the court after conference with the parties.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that the foregoing, including the attachments thereto, constitutes the pretrial order in the above case and that it supersedes the pleadings which are hereby amended to conform hereto and that this pretrial order shall not be amended except by Order of the court to prevent manifest injustice. Any attempt to reserve a right to amend or add to any part of the pretrial order after the pretrial order has been filed shall be invalid and of no effect and shall not be binding upon any party or the court, unless specifically authorized in writing by the court.

IT IS SO ORDERED this	day of	, 2023.

HONORABLE MICHAEL L. BROWN UNITED STATES DISTRICT JUDGE

Attachment A

Questions to Jurors Regarding Legal Qualifications to Serve

- 1. Is there anyone here who is not a citizen of the United States?
- 2. Is there anyone here who is under eighteen years of age?
- 3. Is there anyone here who has lived within this judicial district for less than one year? (Cherokee, Clayton, Cobb, DeKalb, Douglas, Fulton, Gwinnett, Henry, Newton, and Rockdale counties?)
- 4. Are you able to read, write, and understand the English language well enough to accurately complete the juror qualification form?
- 5. Are you able to have a substantive conversation in the English language?
- 6. Do you have trouble seeing or hearing well? Do you suffer from any injury, disease, disability, or medication side effects that would prevent you from serving on a jury?
- 7. This trial could take up to seven days. Does that present a special problem for you?
- 8. Have you read or heard anything about this case?
- 9. Do any of you have a charge pending against you for the commission of, or have you been convicted in State or Federal Court of a crime punishable by imprisonment for more than one year, and if so, have your civil rights

been restored?

- 10.Do you know of any reason that you could not pass judgment in a case?
- 11.Do you know of any reason that you could not apply the rules as they may be stated to you by the Judge?
- 12. Are you or any members of your immediate family related by blood or marriage to Plaintiff Kenny Faulk?
- 13.Do you or any members of your immediate family know Plaintiff Kenny Faulk?
- 14. Are you or any members of your immediate family related by blood or marriage to the owners of Dimerco Express (USA) Corp.?
- 15.Do you or any members of your immediate family know the owners of Dimerco Express (USA) Corp.?
- 16. Are you related by blood or marriage to any of the attorneys in this case: Severin Roberts, Chad Shultz, Leslie K. Eason, or Steven M. Stastny?
- 17.Do you or any members of your immediate family know any of the attorneys in this case: Severin Roberts, Amanda Farahany, Chad Shultz, or Steven Stastny or Cannon Corbitt?
- 18. Are you, or are any of your blood relatives, presently or in the past, an employee of Dimerco Express (USA) Corp.?

- 19. Are you, or are any of your blood relatives, presently or in the past, an employee of Livingston International?
- 20.Is any prospective juror an officer, employee or former employee of Dimerco Express (USA) Corp., Barrett & Farahany, or Gordon & Rees Scully Mansukhani?
- 21.Is any prospective juror related by blood or marriage to anyone who currently works or formerly worked for Barrett & Farahany, or Gordon & Rees Scully Mansukhani?
- 22. Is any prospective juror related by blood or marriage to V. Severin Roberts, or the law firm of Barrett & Farahany?
- 23.Is any prospective juror related by blood or marriage to Chad Shultz, Canon T. Corbitt, or Steven M. Stastny or anyone else who currently works or formerly worked for the law firm of or Gordon & Rees Scully Mansukhani?
- 24.Is any prospective juror related by blood or marriage to the following people:
- (1) Kenny Faulk
- (2) Renee Howard
- (3) Herbert Liou
- (4) Anthon Tien
- (5) Sookie Song
- (6) Eric Tsai
- (7) Alexander King
- (8) Paul Chien
- (9) Cathy Chou
- (10) William Kessler
- (11) Catalina Alvarez
- 24. Do any of you know any of the following people, how do you know them? Would your knowledge of the witness affect your ability in any way to sit as a juror?

- 25. Has any juror been represented by any of the attorneys in this case, or have you sought their advice or services?
- 26. Do you or any member of your family have a business relationship with Dimerco Express (USA) Corp. such that you or a member of your family receives income for services, goods or advice provided by Dimerco Express (USA) Corp..?

Attachment B-1

PLAINTIFF'S PROSPECTIVE VOIR DIRE

Plaintiff includes two (2) sets of questions. The first set are general questions which Plaintiff proposes the Court include in a written questionnaire. The second are questions which Plaintiff submits to ask the jury panel directly.

QUESTIONS WHICH PLAINTIFF WISHES TO BE PROPOUNDED TO JURORS ON WRITTEN EXAMINATION

The questions which Plaintiff requests that the Court propound to the jurors on written examination include the following:

- 1. Please state your full name.
- 2. Where do you live? How long have you lived there? With whom do you live?
- 3. What is your date of birth?
- 4. What is your marital status?
- 5. What is your spouse's name? Children's names and ages?
- 6. What is your occupation?
- 7. What is your spouse's occupation?
- 8. What is your highest level of education?
- 9. What is your spouse's highest level of education?

- 10. Have you or a family member ever sued anyone? If so, please provide details.
- 11. Have you or a family member ever been sued? If so, please provide details.
- 12. Are you involved in any civic or volunteer organizations? If so, please tell us about them.
- 13. Do you have any training in the following:
 - a. Human resources;
 - b. Law or the legal field; and/or
 - c. Office work, for example secretarial, data entry, and or human resources.
- 14. How would you describe your political leanings:
 - a. Very conservative;
 - b. Conservative;
 - c. Moderate;
 - d. Liberal;
 - e. Very Liberal;
 - f. Other;
 - g. Prefer not to answer

- 15. Have you or a family member ever thought you had good reason to sue, but decided against it?
- 16. Have you or a family member had any training or education regarding equal employment opportunity policies?
- 17. Have you or a family member had any training or education regarding privacy policies?
- 18. Have you or a family member developed policies in the workplace, or been required to implement policies in the workplace?
- 19. Do you own your own business, or have you owned your own business in the past?
- 20. What news stations do you watch on TV, if any?
- 21. Do you listen to any talk radio shows? Which shows do you listen to?
- 22. Do you get news from the Internet? Which websites do you visit most often for the news?

PLAINTIFF'S GENERAL VOIR DIRE QUESTIONS

The questions which Plaintiff seeks to directly propound to the jury panel are as follows:

- 1. Has anybody here heard about the Civil Rights Act, and specifically Section 1981 of the Civil Rights Act? What have you heard about it?
- 2. What are your thoughts on the general expectations an employer should have of an employee in the workplace?
- 3. What are your thoughts on the general expectations an employee should have of their employer in the workplace?
- 4. Has anyone heard of the phrase at-will employment? What is your understanding of the meaning of the term at-will employment? If an employer can terminate an employee for any reason, does that mean they terminate someone because they're black, or a man, or a woman, or a particular religion?
- 5. We have at-will employment laws that allow an employee to quit at any time they want, and allow an employer to fire someone at any time for any reason, right? We also have laws that say an employer cannot discriminate against an employee based on their race, religion, gender, disability age. Do you have any thoughts on how the anti-discrimination laws affect the

- at-will employment laws? Does one supersede the other?
- 6. If an employer has a company policy that prohibits discrimination in the workplace, who is responsible for enforcing said policy?
- 7. Do think that race-based discrimination in the workplace today is worse now than twenty (20) years ago? Better? Or the same?
- 8. How do you identify in terms of race? Based on your background and heritage, you have the fight to not be discriminated against because of your heritage, correct? On a scale of 1 to 10, how important is that right to not be discriminated against because of your heritage to you? 1 being not very important, 10 being the most important?
- 9. Is there anything in your background or experience that could make you find for or against a private company just because you would not want to hurt the owner or employees of the company?
- 10. Have you previously served on a jury in either state or federal court? If so, please tell us the type of case, and whether the jury reached a verdict.
- 11. If you have previously served on a jury, were you satisfied with your jury service?
- 12. Some people believe there are too many frivolous lawsuits, with people trying to get rich off of a corporation or the government. Others believe

that lawsuits and courts are necessary because it's the only place where an individual can stand up to powerful corporations or government agencies.

Which view are you a little closer to? Why?

- 13. Many people are concerned with what they call "tort reform": too many lawsuits, big verdicts, runaway juries, greedy lawyers all driving up prices and driving away jobs. As a result, some people think that the court system needs changes. Others think things are okay as they are. Which view are you a little closer to? Why?
- 14. Does any member of the panel believe that the civil justice system should be changed to limit the ability of employees to bring claims against their employers?
- 15. Does any member of the panel belong to any organization which favors changing the law in order to limit a victim's rights to recover?
- 16. Is there any member of the panel who would start this trial with even the slightest negative feelings about Plaintiff and his case, for any reason at all?
- 17. This is a case in which money damages are sought as compensation for discrimination against an employee. Do you have any disagreement whatsoever with our system of justice which provides that disputes such

- as this should be brought before a jury of people such as yourself for resolution?
- 18. Some people feel that a Plaintiff should not come to court asking a jury to compensate them for the damages they allege to have suffered. Others feel that it is appropriate. Are you closer, even a little bit, to the group that feels that a Plaintiff should not come to court asking a jury to award an amount of money for damages? Why?
- 19. Some people have trouble allowing money in their verdicts for things like emotional distress or mental anguish. Others are okay with it. Which are you a little closer to? Why?
- 20. What problems, even small ones, might you have with including money in a verdict for someone's pain and suffering where that person did not lose any money?
- 21. Some folks have some philosophical, moral or other reasons for not allowing money for pain or suffering. Others are okay with it. Which are you closer to? Why?
- 22. Some people feel that most people will exaggerate their pain to get more money from a jury. Others don't think so. Which are you closer to? Why?
- 23. Under what circumstances would you think it is appropriate to require a

- company or government agency to pay money as punishment or to deter wrongdoing instead of just to compensate someone for the harm they've experienced?
- 24. Plaintiff is seeking damages in a significant amount. If you believe from the evidence presented and the law as given you in the charges by the Court that Plaintiff is entitled to recover such amount, please raise your hand if you would have any hesitation whatsoever about awarding a significant amount of damages.
- 25. How do you feel about whether there should be upper or lower limits on the amount of money jurors should be allowed to give?
- 26. At the end of this trial, if you think it will take just \$50 to make up for what happened here but if you know that the Plaintiff wants much more than \$50 what trouble would you have ignoring what the Plaintiff wants and deciding on a verdict of only fifty dollars, if that's what you think is fair, in spite of feeling sorry for the Plaintiff?
- 27. Now here's the other side of that question. If you decide it will take, say, twenty-five million dollars to make up for what happened to the Plaintiff, what trouble would you have even a little in deciding on a verdict like that if you thought it was fair, in spite of feeling sorry for the Defendants,

who'll want it to be much less?

- 28. Responsibility means paying enough money compensation to fully equal the losses and level of harm without putting anything into the scale except those losses and harms. That's the law. Who here thinks they might have trouble, even a little, keeping things off the scale that don't belong there?
- 29. Have any of you or any of your relatives or close personal friends ever experienced discrimination in the workplace? Tell us about it.
- 30. Has anyone here ever been accused of something they didn't do? Tell us about it.
- 31. Has anyone here been punished or subjected to discipline for something that you believed others were allowed to get away with? Tell us about it.
- 32. How many of you have ever filed a charge of discrimination against any employer with any state or federal agency like the United States Equal Employment Opportunity Commission, or with any court?
- 33. How many of you have ever wanted to but did not file a charge of discrimination against any employer with any state or federal agency like the United States Equal Employment Opportunity Commission, or with any court?

- 34. Have you, any relative or close personal friend ever been accused of committing acts of discrimination in the workplace?
- 35. If your answer to the previous question is yes, did you feel the person that made the accusation was justified?
- 36. In trials like this, jurors decide which side wins on the basis of whether they believe my client's side is more likely right than wrong. Some people think "more likely right than wrong" is not a fair standard because they feel it means my client's side doesn't have to actually prove anything. Others think it's ok. Are you a little closer to those who have a problem with this standard or those who think it's okay? Why?
- 37. At the end of the trial, Judge Brown will explain that, if you decide my client wins, you are required to decide what amount of money is appropriate based on whether the evidence shows my client's damages claims are "more likely right than wrong". You can have doubts on both sides, but when you weigh them all, if you think we're more likely right than wrong, you have to award damages accordingly. What trouble would you have, even a little, making your decisions on the basis of whether we're more likely right than wrong?
- 38. As jurors, you have certain rights. For instance, you have the right to hear

all the evidence in order to make a correct decision. If you cannot hear any of the evidence, would any of you have a problem raising your hand and asking the judge, "Your Honor, I did not hear what that witness said. Could you ask him to repeat it?"

- 39. You also have the right to know and make sure that each of your other jurors knows and is following the law. So, if during deliberations, anyone is refusing to follow the law, will you all be comfortable asking your foreperson to knock on the door and tell the bailiff you need the judge to come talk to a juror who won't follow the law?
- 40. Can we count on you yourself to stay strictly within the law when you're making your decisions, so we won't get into that situation?
- 41. Finally, in order to award damages, you only need to determine whether it is more likely than not that the damages that the Plaintiff has asserted is the correct amount. Please raise your hand if you would need more proof than that to award money to the Plaintiff.

Defendant's objections (if any) to Plaintiff's Voir Dire Questions

*The Parties respectfully request to be permitted to file any objections to *voir dire* no later than seven (7) days before the pretrial conference.

Attachment B-1

DEFENDANT'S PROSPECTIVE VOIR DIRE

With the exception of Items 15 and 17, Defendant adopts the proposed questions to be posed to potential jurors, <u>if the court allows a written questionnaire</u>, and proposes these additional questions:

- 1. Do you or your household subscribe to any newspapers, magazines or any other periodicals? If so, which ones?
- 2. Do you have any bumper stickers or tag frames or specialty tags on your or your household's vehicles? If so, which ones, and what do they say?
- 3. Have you ever been in charge of or involved in hiring new employees or promoting existing employees?

Questions that Defendant Wishes to be Propounded to the Jurors on Voir Dire Examination

- 1. If not presently employed:
 - a. What was your most recent job?
 - b. Who was your employer?
 - c. What caused your separation from this employer?

- 2. Have you, any family members, or any close friends ever been employees of a company <u>not</u> headquartered in the United States?
- 3. Have you, any family members, or any close friends ever been employees of Dimerco?
- 4. Do you know anyone who has been employed by a cargo or freight forwarding company?
- 5. Have you, any family members, or any close friends ever been a party in any prior lawsuits (other than related to traffic violations or a domestic relations matter)?
- 6. Have you, any family members, or any close friends ever been accused or charged with domestic violence?
- 7. Have you, any family members, or any close friends ever filed any claims or complaints against an employer with any government agency?
- 8. Have you, any family members, or any close friends ever filed any claims or complaints against an employer with a court?
- 9. Have you, any family members, or any close friends ever been terminated from your or their employment?
- 10. Have you, a relative, or a close friend ever been accused of treating an employee or coworker unfairly?

- 11. Have you, a relative, or a close friend ever lost a job in a situation that you, or your relative, or friend, thought was unfair?
- 12. Have you, any family members, or any close friends ever had to look for a new job?
- 13. Have you, any family members, or any close friends ever been the victim of race discrimination?
- 14. Have you, any family members, or any close friends ever been the victim of discrimination at your job?
 - 15. Have you ever supervised other employees?
- 16. Have you ever been involved in interviewing candidates for employment?
 - 17. Have you ever been involved in hiring?
 - 18. Are you familiar with, or ever dealt with background checks or reports?
- 19. Have you, any family members, or any close friends ever been accused of misrepresentation on a job application?
- 20. If someone admits to making misrepresentations on their employment application, would you be less likely to believe him or her?
- 21. If a witness in this lawsuit exercises his or her Fifth Amendment right against self-incrimination in this trial, would you be less likely to believe him or her?

- 22. If a witness in this lawsuit lied to his or her attorney in an attempt to obtain money, would you be less likely to believe him or her?
- 23. If a witness is not a native English speaker or speaks in "broken" English, would that, in and of itself, cause you to be less likely to believe him or her?
- 24. Have you, any family members, or any close friends ever complained about discrimination at your or their job?
- 25. Do any of you believe that the mere fact that an employee sues a former employer means the employer must have done something wrong?
- 26. When do you think it is appropriate for an employee to file a lawsuit against a former employer?
- 27. Would you have a tendency to pay a plaintiff money damages because you believe that the company he or she is suing can afford to pay him?
- 28. Do you or any member of your family have any legal training or experience?
- 29. Do you, a relative, or a close friend have any personnel or human resources experience or training?
- 30. Do any of you have any reason why you do not want to be here today, or why you do not want to serve on this jury?

- 31. Is there anything going on in your lives right now that would keep any of you from paying careful attention to the courtroom proceedings or participating in jury deliberations in this case?
- 32. Is there anything you know about this case that you think would prevent you from being impartial?
- 33. At the close of the case, the Judge will instruct you on the law. We expect him to instruct you that business entities, like my client, are treated no differently than individuals in the eyes of the law. Are each of you prepared to follow the Judge's instructions and treat my client no differently because it happens to be a business entity, and not an individual person?
- 34. This is a court of law and the Judge will instruct you on the law after you have heard the evidence. Can you put aside your emotions and sympathy and apply the law described to you based on the evidence presented in this trial?

Defendant Dimerco requests appropriate follow-up to the above questions.

Plaintiff's Objections (if any) to Defendant's Voir Dire Questions

*The Parties respectfully request to be permitted to file any objections to *voir dire* no later than seven (7) days before the pretrial conference.

Attachment C

PLAINTIFF'S OUTLINE OF THE CASE

On September 16, 2019, Defendant provided Plaintiff with a formal offer letter for an account executive position. After offering the position to Plaintiff, Defendant rescinded the offer claiming that the offer had been rescinded because of a misdemeanor disorderly conduct charge from 2014. Plaintiff was notified that the offer had been rescinded by Defendant's then Human Resources Manager, Renee Howard ("Howard"). Howard was directed to rescind the job offer by Defendant's President of U.S. Operations, Herbert Liou ("Liou").

After rescinding Plaintiff's job offer, Defendant subsequently hired another white/Caucasian account executive that had more significant criminal charges on his record than Plaintiff.

Howard spoke with Liou and questioned why Defendant was hiring the account executive with a more significant criminal history, and in response Liou explained to Howard that the reason was he only wanted to hire whites and further justified his position stating that whites could get in the door with customers that minorities could not. Plaintiff is pursuing to trial on a failure to hire claim against Defendant, pursuant to 42 U.S.C. § 1981.

Legal Basis for Duty Relied Upon by Plaintiff

42 U.S.C. § 1981: All persons within the jurisdiction of the United States shall have the same right in every State and Territory to . . . the full and equal benefit of all laws and proceedings for the security of persons and property as is enjoyed by white citizens, and shall be subject to like punishment, pains, penalties, taxes, licenses, and exactions of every kind, and to no other.

Items of Damages

Back Pay – Availability has been determined judicially, and pursuant to 42 U.S.C. § 1981; 42 U.S.C. § 2000e-5(g): Plaintiff seeks back-pay for the period of time commencing September 16, 2019, and concluding August 9, 2022. In total, Plaintiff seeks back-pay in the amount of \$168,734.47.

Compensatory Damages – Availability has been determined judicially and pursuant to 42 U.S.C. § 1981; 42 U.S.C. § 1981a: In an amount to be determined by the enlightened conscience of the jury to compensate Plaintiff for emotional pain, suffering, inconvenience, mental anguish, loss of enjoyment of life, and other nonpecuniary losses.

Punitive Damages – Availability has been determined judicially and pursuant to 42 U.S.C. § 1981; 42 U.S.C. § 1981a: In an amount to be determined by the jury.

Attorney Fees and Costs - Availability has been determined judicially and pursuant to 42 U.S.C. § 1981; 42 U.S.C. § 1981a; 42 U.S.C. §1988(b): In an amount to be determined at such time is judgment is entered in this action.

Prejudgment Interest - Availability has been determined judicially and pursuant to 42 U.S.C. § 1981; 42 U.S.C. § 1981a; 42 U.S.C. § 2000e-5(g): Prejudgment interest in an amount to be determined based on the amount of prejudgment interest due at the time of entry of judgment in this action.

Attachment D

DEFENDANT'S OUTLINE OF THE CASE

This lawsuit involves the rescission of a conditional offer of employment made to Plaintiff by Dimerico. Plaintiff applied for, was interviewed, negotiated a compensation package, and was offered employment by Dimerco to be an Account Executive for Dimerco in Atlanta. The offer of employment, by its written terms, was conditioned upon the satisfactory completion and return of a criminal background check.

Plaintiff consented to the criminal background check which was conducted by ADP. Plaintiff's ADP report listed Plaintiff's guilty plea to a charge of disorderly conduct in 2014. Plaintiff was sentenced to one (1) year probation. A Dimerico legal department employee in Chicago obtained and circulated a printout from Fulton County criminal court records indicating the disorderly conduct plea and that Plaintiff was bonded out for original charges of Aggravated Assault (identified as AGG ASSAULT) for \$5,000.

In accordance with the Fair Credit Reporting Act (FCRA) and other laws, Dimerico, through Ms. Howard, rescinded Plaintiff's offer of employment allowing Plaintiff five (5) days to contact the company to explain the charges and instructions on how to dispute the listed charges with ADP. Plaintiff never did contact Dimerco

to explain the charges, nor to Dimerco's knowledge, did Plaintiff dispute the charges with ADP. To the extent that Plaintiff discussed the ADP report, the and the underlying plea with Ms. Howard, such inquiry or response was not communicated to anyone else at Dimerco.

A. General, Special and Affirmative Defenses

- 1. Dimerco denies that it discriminated against Plaintiff on the basis of his race, black, or otherwise, nor can Plaintiff prove the same.
- 2. Plaintiff has not and cannot establish direct evidence of discrimination, nor can he prove that Dimerco discriminated against him under the circumstantial evidence rubric. More specifically, and without limitation, Plaintiff has not and cannot present a legally sufficient comparator outside of his protected class who was treated more favorably than him.
- 3. Plaintiff cannot prove that his race was the "but-for" reason for the actions or decisions Dimerco made or took with respect to Plaintiff.
- 4. Any claim that Plaintiff may have for back pay is barred or due to be limited by the after-acquired evidence rule or doctrine based upon his written and verbal misrepresentations on his Dimerco employment application and in the application and interview process. More specifically, upon his application to Dimerco, Plaintiff represented in writing that he was currently employed by

the company Livingston International (Livingston). After receiving records produced by Livingston International under a Rule 45 subpoena on August 2, 2022, Dimerco discovered that Plaintiff was not currently employed by Livingston upon his application to Dimerco. Livingston's records indicated that Plaintiff abandoned his job on or about the time of a scheduled business trip to Toronto because of his own illness and/or the illness of his mother. Plaintiff engaged an attorney, Catalina Alvarez, to make written demand on Livingston for severance citing these health reasons. However, during Plaintiff's deposition on August 15, 2022, he revealed that this explanation was not true. Plaintiff testified that he was "pulled off" a commercial aircraft while connecting in Charlotte, North Carolina for his flight to Toronto. Plaintiff's Mecklenburg County, North Carolina arrest records indicate that Plaintiff was a fugitive from another state and due to be extradited. Upon his return to Atlanta, Plaintiff was booked for the following charges indicating an "offense date" of 6/30/2019:

Booking #: 1914378 Fulton County Sherif:

Facility:

Fulton County Sheriff's Office Booked: 07/25/2019

Booked: 07/25/2019 Released: 08/10/2019

FAULK, KENNY SHORONE Black Male 6' 3" 235 lbs

Faulk. Kenny Black

Faulk, Kenny Black P01055981 Brown Atlanta, GA 30313-1390

Issuing AuthOffense DateBond/Type Fine/Crt CostsDisposition Warrant # Charge 25,000.00 06/30/2019 EW-Surety Bond 0271657 Surety Bond Battery - Family Violence 06/30/2019 10,000.00 Surety Bond (1St Offense) Misd 0271659 Surety Bond

EW- Aggravated Assault 0271658 Strangulation

06/30/2019 5,000.00 Surety Surety Bond

Plaintiff spent some sixteen (16) days in the Fulton County jail until he (surety) bonded out for the apparent aggregate amount of \$40,000. After Plaintiff was released from jail on August 10, 2019, he made application to Dimerco. His first prospective employment contact with Dimerco was some two weeks later, on August 23, 2019. Based upon information and belief, these charges remain pending and Plaintiff is remains out on bail and the criminal suit is to be set for trial.

6. Notwithstanding the foregoing, Plaintiff's claims for back pay are limited and Plaintiff has not and cannot claim or measure back pay from the rescission of his conditional employment offer from Dimerco. Quite simply, Plaintiff was unemployed when he applied to Dimerco and remained unemployed when Dimerco rescinded his conditional offer of employment. Plaintiff did not interview with, nor was he offered (or declined) any other employment while in the process of applying to or interviewing with Dimerco. Plaintiff's subsequent and partially mitigating employment ended for an intervening and unrelated reason, the CoVid-19 pandemic. Later, Plaintiff, who holds a Bachelor's degree and an MBA, and who (purportedly) worked for UPS and then Livingston, decided to pursue a career as an over-the-road truck driver.

As such, any mitigating wage differential cannot be measured from the offered Dimerco salary package due to the fact that Plaintiff never held the Dimerco position. Further, Plaintiff's own decision not to pursue employment commensurate with his credentials and industry-related work history should not operate to enrich Plaintiff at Dimerco's expense.

B. Rules, Regulations, Statutes, Ordinances, and Illustrative Case Law

Statute:

42 U.S.C §1981.

Illustrative Case Law:

Thomas v. Norfolk Southern Railway Inc., 2022 WL 907883 (N. D. Ala. 2022). Plaintiff asserted a §1981 termination claim against his former employer. When claims are based upon circumstantial evidence, "[C]ourts routinely apply the burden-shifting framework set forth in McDonnell-Douglas Corp. v. Green, 411 U.S. 792, 93 S.Ct. 1817, 36 L.Ed.2d 668 (1973), to evaluate whether the plaintiff has presented sufficient evidence to proceed to trial. . . . [T]he Supreme Court's more recent decision in Comcast Corp. v. National Ass'n of African American-Owned Media _____ U.S. _____, 140 S, Ct, 1009, 206 L.Ed.2d. 356 (2020) makes clear that, to succeed on a §1981 claim, the plaintiff 'bears the burden of showing that race was a but-for cause of [his] injury' as opposed to showing that race was a motivating factor in the decision. 140 S. Ct. at 1014."

Lewis v. City of Union City, 918 F.3d 1213, 1228 (11th Cir. 2019) (en banc). "[A] valid comparator will turn not on formal labels, but rather on substantive likeness. . . . While the precise 'similarity' is 'to be worked out on a case-by-case basis,' a similarly-situated comparator 'will have engaged in the same basic conduct (or misconduct) as the plaintiff;' 'will have been subject to the same employment policy;' 'will ordinarily (although not invariably) have been under the jurisdiction of the same supervisor;' and "will share the plaintiff's employment or disciplinary

history." Id. at 1227-28.

Wallace v. Dunn Const., Co., Inc. 62 F3d. 374, 378 (11th Cir, 1995) If, during litigation, an employer learns that a plaintiff committed acts that would have justified termination, the employer can raise an after-acquired evidence defense. The defense serves to cut off back-pay as of the time of the employer's discovery of the act, as well as reinstatement (or instatement) and front pay.

Attachment E

Stipulated Facts

- 1. Defendant is an entity subject to 42 U.S.C. § 1981.
- 2. Plaintiff is African-American citizen of the United States and is a member of a protected class for purposes of his 42 U.S.C. § 1981 claim.
- 3. Plaintiff applied for an account executive position with Dimerco in Atlanta, Georgia. On September 16, 2019, Defendant provided Plaintiff a conditional offer of employment for the account executive position, which was later rescinded by Defendant.
- 4. Mr. Faulk filed this lawsuit against Dimerco within the permissible time under the law.
- 5. The Dimerco Account Executive position was the same job nationwide at all times relevant to this case.
- 6. For purposes of Plaintiff's prima facie case, Plaintiff met the minimum job qualifications for the Account Executive position he was offered.

The parties further note that they have stipulated, in accordance with FRE 901, to the authenticity of the emails produced by Defendant during discovery. In other words, the parties stipulate that such emails were sent by the senders identified on those emails at the times identified on same, and they were transmitted to the

recipients identified on those emails at the times identified on such emails. The parties have further stipulated that the deposition testimony proffered by either party is duly sworn.

Attachment F-1

The following is a list of the fact witnesses that Plaintiff will have present at trial:

Witness	Address
Kenny Faulk	c/o Plaintiff's counsel, Barrett & Farahany

The following is a list of the fact witnesses that Plaintiff may have present at trial:

Witness	Address
Sookie Song	c/o Defendant's counsel
Herbert Liou	Via Deposition
Cathy Chou	
Custodian of Records	Withdrawn based on stipulation of the parties as to authenticity of emails produced by Defendant.
Renee Howard	Via Deposition
William Kessler	
Tanner Thibodeaux	
Eric Tsai	To be produced by Defendant per agreement of counsel.

Attachment F-2

The following is a list of the fact witnesses that Defendant will have present at trial:

Witness	Address
Sookie Song	c/o Defendant's counsel

The following is a list of the fact witnesses that Defendant may have present at trial:

Witness	Address
William Kessler	c/o Defendant's counsel
Eric Tsai	c/o Defendant's counsel
Herbert Liou	15902 Shobach Lane, Huntington Beach, CA (714) 702-0745 (VIA Deposition)
Adam Jones	Livingston International, (404) 363-9308 <u>ajones@livingstonintl.com</u> (or records witness)
Catalina Alvarez	100 Crescent Center Parkway, Ste. 950 Tucker, GA 30084
	(404) 233-1222 cataalvarez@hotmail.com
Representatives of UPS	(records witness)
Cathy Chou	c/o Defendant's counsel
Records Custodians	Needed to authenticate any document or record (whether personal, business or public) for admission into evidence at trial.

Attachment G-1

PLAINTIFF'S EXHIBIT LIST

Trial Ex. #	Bates Start	Bates End	Description	Admi	Deny
1.			Howard Declaration (Ex. 1 to Howard		
			Deposition)		
2.			Conditional Offer Letter to Kenny Faulk (Ex.		
			2 to Howard Deposition; Ex. 1 to Liou		
	DIMERCO90	DIMERCO92	Deposition)		
3.			September 27, 2019 Email from Liou to		
			Song, Howard, and Chou (Ex. 3 to Howard		
	DIMERCO9829	DIMERCO9830	Deposition; Ex. 4 to Liou Deposition)		
4.			September 27, 2019 Email from Howard to		
			Faulk (Ex. 4 to Howard Deposition; Ex. 5 to		
	DIMERCO7945	DIMERCO7945	Liou Deposition)		
5.			November 14, 2019 Correspondence		
			between Liou, Howard, and Tsai (Ex. 5 to		
			Howard Deposition; Ex. 8 to Liou		
	DIMERCO470	DIMERCO472	Deposition; Ex. 5 to Tsai Deposition)		
6.			February 2020 Powerpoint Presentation for		
			HR Management Meeting (Ex. 6 to Howard		
	FAULK00001	FAULK00006	Deposition)		
7.			Howard Emails delivering February 2020		
			PowerPoint Presentation for HR		
			Management Meeting (Ex. 6 to Howard		
	FAULK00016	FAULK00017	Deposition)		
8.			January 2020 Email Correspondence		
			Between Liou and Howard (Ex. 7 to Howard		
	DIMERCO6614	DIMERCO6617	Deposition)		
9.			April 2018 Email Correspondence Between		
			Liou and Paul Chien (Ex. 8 to Howard		
	DIMERCO11156	DIMERCO11163	Deposition; Ex. 11 to Liou Deposition)		
10.			Email Correspondence Re Kenny Faulk		
			Background Report (Ex. 2 to Liou		
	DIMERCO238		Deposition)		
11.			ADP Background Report for Kenny Faulk		
	DIMERCO7949	DIMERCO7958	(Ex. 3 to Liou Deposition)		
12.			November 8, 2019 Conditional Offer Letter		
			to Tanner Thibodeaux (Ex. 6 to Liou		
	DIMERCO9919	DIMERCO9921	Deposition)		
13.			ADP Background Report for Tanner		
			Thibodeaux (Ex. 7 to Liou Deposition; Ex. 3		
	DIMERCO222	DIMERCO000231	to Tsai Deposition)		
14.			November 14 th Correspondence between		
			Liou, Howard, and Tsai (Ex. 8 to Liou		
	DIMERCO470	DIMERCO472	Deposition)	<u> </u>	
15.			January 8, 2020 Email Correspondence from		
	DIMERCO5911	DIMERCO5911	Howard to Liou (Ex 9. To Liou Deposition)		

16.			January 2020 Email Correspondence	
10.			Between Liou and Howard (Ex. 10 to Liou	
	DIMERCO6614	DIMERCO6617	Deposition)	
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	DIMERCO7922	DIMERCO7922	June 11, 2019 Email from Liou to Shawn Teng (Ex. 11 to Liou Deposition)	
18.	DIVIERCOTTE	DIMERCOTIZZ	November 5, 2019 Email Correspondence	
			from Howard to Liou and Eric Tsai (Ex. 13	
	DIMERCO216	DIMERCO216	to Liou Deposition; Ex. 1 to Tsai Deposition)	
19.			November 8, 2019 Email between Tsai,	
	DIMERCO217	DIMERCO217	Howard, and Thibodeaux (Ex. 2 to Tsai Deposition)	
20.	DIVIERCOZIT	DIMERCOZIT	Story of Tanner Thibodeaux Conviction (Ex.	
	DIMERCO219	DIMERCO219	4 to Tsai Deposition)	
21.	DD (ED CO551	DI (ED COCCI	Emails Re: Texas Sales Candidate	
22.	DIMERCO551	DIMERCO551	For the Book and For the Control of	
23.	DIMERCO76	DIMERCO77	Emails Re: Acc. Executive Candidate	
24.	DIMERCO442	DIMERCO443	Emails Re: Sales Recruiting	
25.	DIMERCO505	DIMERCO510	Emails Re: Account Executive Candidate	
26.	DIMERCO546	DIMERCO546	Tsai Review of Thibodeux	
	DIMERCO637	DIMERCO637	Emails Re: Hiring Suspension and Directions	
27.	DIMERCO642	DIMERCO645	Emails Re: NARHR hiring status analysis	
28.	DIMERCO659	DIMERCO659	Excel Spreadsheet of Candidate Hiring Process	
29.			Emails Re: Forward Account	
	DIMED CO1106	DIMED CO 1107	Executive/Business Developer Texas –	
30.	DIMERCO1186	DIMERCO1187	Candidate	
31.	DIMERCO1216	DIMERCO1222	Emails Re: Tanner T. Hiring Emails Re: FW: Dimerco Express US – TX	
31.	DIMERCO1433	DIMERCO1433	Interview	
32.	DIMERCO1459	DIMERCO1461	Emails Re: Atlanta Position	
33.	DIMERCO1787	DIMERCO1790	Emails Re: Atlanta Sales Candidate	
34.	DIMERCO1875	DIMERCO1877	Emails Re: FW: BDM Candidate	
35.	DIMERCO1907	DIMERCO1908	Email Re: Offer letter revised	
36.	DIMERCO1918	DIMERCO1918	Email Re: Recruitment & Interview	
37.	DIMERCO1921	DIMERCO1921	Emails Re: Sabrina Hofmeister	
38.	DIMERCO1930	DIMERCO1931	Emails Re: Sabrina Hofmeister	
39.	DIMERCO1936	DIMERCO1939	Emails Re: VP of Sales Candidate	
40.	DIMERCO1998	DIMERCO2000	Email Re: NAR BDM Atl	
41.	DIMERCO2059	DIMERCO2060	Email Re: ATL Candidate	
42.	DIMERCO2081	DIMERCO2082	Emails Re; Resignation of Mr. Anthony Tien	
43.	DIMERCO2327	DIMERCO2330	Emails Re; Yuliya Panayotova	
44.	DIMERCO2423	DIMERCO2423	Email Re; New Sales	
45.	DIMERCO2437	DIMERCO2437	Emails Re: Recruiting Process	
46.	DIMERCO2526	DIMERCO2530	Emails Re: Derek	
47.	DIMERCO2537	DIMERCO2538	Emails Re: ATL Candidate	

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48.	DIMERCO2593	DIMERCO2599	Emails Re: Derek	
49.	DIMERCO4886	DIMERCO4889	Emails Re: ORD Cand	
50.	DIMERCO4989	DIMERCO4992	Email Re: Meeting Minutes	
51.	DIMERCO5757	DIMERCO5757	Emails Re: hiring candidate	
52.	DIMERCO6045	DIMERCO6048	Emails Re: Employee Rights	
53.	DIMERCO6133	DIMERCO6136	Emails Re: Employee Rights	
54.	DIMERCO6318	DIMERCO6318	Emails Re: Employee Rights	
55.	DIMERCO6688	DIMERCO6692	Emails Re: ATL Draft Offer Letter	
56.	DIMERCO6697	DIMERCO6698	Emails Re: Offer Letter Final	
57.	DIMERCO6764	DIMERCO6768	Emails Re: Regional Sales Candidate - Mike Salvgani	
58.	DIMERCO7227	DIMERCO7231	Emails Re: NAR Business Development Manager	
59.	DIMERCO7448	DIMERCO7449	Emails Re: Interview Summary	
60.	DIMERCO7508	DIMERCO7511	Emails Re: NAR Recruitment	
61.	DIMERCO7574	DIMERCO7581	Emails Re: Recruiting Proposal Extension	
62.	DIMERCO7922	DIMERCO7922	Emails Re: DIMUS 2019 Major Tasks	
63.	DIMERCO7961	DIMERCO7962	Emails Re: ATL Account Executive	
64.	DIMERCO8066	DIMERCO8072	Criminal Background Report	
65.	DIMERCO7887	DIMERCO7890	Emails Re: Management Sales	
66.	DIMERCO8217	DIMERCO8222	Emails Re: Recruitment meeting minutes	
67.	DIMERCO8886	DIMERCO8889	Emails Re: Recruiting Proposal Extension	
68.	DIMERCO9786	DIMERCO9793	Emails Re: ATL Account Executive Candidate	
69.	DIMERCO12629	DIMERCO12629	Emails Re: Resume	
70.	DIMERCO000367	DIMERCO000372	First NAR PowerPoint	
71.	DIMERCO000374	DIMERCO000380	Second NAR PowerPoint	
72.	DIMERCO 000001	DIMERCO 000046	Insurance Policy	
73.	DIMERCO 000047	DIMERCO000138	Kenny Faulk personnel file	
74.	DIMERCO000184	DIMERCO000189	Kenny Faulk background check	
75.	DIMERCO000190	DIMERCO000197	Job applicant information	
76.	DIMERCO000198	DIMERCO000199	Non-disclosure and security agreement	
77.	DIMERCO000200	DIMERCO000201	Sales incentive program	
78.	DIMERCO000202	DIMERCO000205	Emails re: 2019 2nd NAR Management Meeting	
79.	DIMERCO000206	DIMERCO000206	Dimerco Benefits	
80.	DIMERCO000207	DIMERCO000209	Emails re: Atlanta Account Executive Offer	
81.	DIMERCO000210	DIMERCO000212	Emails re: Peter Helfin Resume	
82.	DIMERCO000213	DIMERCO000231	Emails re: Tanner Thibodeaux	
83.	DIMERCO000232	DIMERCO000245	Emails re: Kenny Faulk background check	
84.	DIMERCO000246	DIMERCO000249	Emails re: Atlanta Account Executive Offer	
85.	DIMERCO000250	DIMERCO000254	Emails re: ATL Draft Offer Letter	
86.	DIMERCO000255	DIMERCO000267	Emails re: Kenny Faulk	
87.	DIMERCO000268	DIMERCO000278	Emails re: Peter Heflin	

88.	DIMERCO000279	DIMERCO000290	Emails re: Kenny Faulk	
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90.	DIMERCO000291	DIMERCO000294	Emails re: Randy Mitchell	
91.	DIMERCO000295	DIMERCO000301	NAR - Business Developer Manager	
	DIMERCO000302	DIMERCO000307	Emails re: Business Developer Manager	
92.	DIMERCO000308	DIMERCO000366	HR, applicant, and recruitment emails and documents	
93.	DIMERCO3026	DIMERCO3026	Email re looking for "younger" people	
94.	DIMERCO9799	DIMERCO9801	Emails re offer letter to Kenny Faulk	
95.	BIMERCOTTY	DIVIERCO7001	Emails re showing Faulk is black	
	DIMERCO09972	DIMERCO9882	contemporaneous to directive to rescind offer	
96.	DIMERCO9829	DIMERCO9840	Emails re directive to rescind offer to Faulk	
97.	DIMERCO9918	DIMERCO9935	Emails re Tanner Thibodeaux	
98.			Emails re instruction to remove term	
			"young" from internal analysis of job	
	DIMERCO5269	DIMERCO5272	candidate	
99.			Emails re Renee Howard's discrimination	
	DIMERCO6060	DIMERCO6065	claims	
100.			Emails re Defendant using race as hiring	
101	DIMERCO 6017	DIMERCO 6022	criteria	
101.	DH (ED GO (202	DD (ED GO (200	Emails Renee Howard's discrimination	
100	DIMERCO6293	DIMERCO6298	claims	
102.			Emails re Renee Howard explaining that	
	DIMERCO6430	DIMERCO6445	Defendant's use of race as hiring criteria is hindering her recruitment efforts	
103.	DIVIERCO0430	DIVIERCO0443	Emails re Renee Howard discussing race	
103.	DIMERCO7169	DIMERCO7174	criteria with Herbert Liou	
104.	BINEREOTIO	DIVIDICOTITI	Emails re Herbert Liou instructing Shawn	
	DIMERCO7922	DIMERCO7922	Teng to increase sales calls to Caucasians	
105.			Email Rescinding Faulk Offer Letter with all	
	DIMERCO7945	DIMERCO7958	attachments	
106.	DIMERCO222	DIMERCO230	Tanner Thibodeaux Background Report	
107.	DIMERCO9919	DIMERCO9922	Emails re offer to Tanner Thibodeaux	
108.			Email correspondence and associated	
			criminal record article regarding Tanner	
	DIMERCO218	DIMERCO219	Thibodeaux	
109.	DIMERCO470	DIMERCO470	Emails re Herbert Liou directing manager to proceed with hiring Tanner Thibodeaux	
110.	DIMERCO10008	DIMERCO470 DIMERCO10028	Tanner Thibodeaux Interview Notes	
111.	DIMERCO10009	DIMERCO10028	Tanner Thibodeaux Interview Notes Tanner Thibodeaux Background Check	
111.	DIMERCO100016	DIMERCO100016	Authorization	
112.			Emails re Dimerco Founder Paul Chien and	
			Herbert Liou discussing plans for the	
			business, including hiring Caucasian sales	
	DIMERCO11156	DIMERCO11164	managers	
113.			Emails re Renee Howard sending over a	
	DIMERCO9786	DIMERCO9786	candidate she knows to be black	
114.	DIMERCO8429	DIMERCO8465	NAR Meeting Powerpoint	
115.	FAULK00001	FAULK00002	2019 and 2020 Tax documents	
116.	FAULK00001	FAULK00006	NAR HR Management Meeting	

117.	FAULK00003	FAULK00029	Emails with Renee Howard
118.	FAULK00030	FAULK00037	Texts with Renee Howard
119.	FAULK00007	FAULK00012	Anthony Tien text messages
120.	FAULK00013	FAULK00015	Email re: Sales candidate
121.	FAULK00016	FAULK00022	Email re: NAR HR
122.	FAULK00023	FAULK00030	Email re: Recruiting proposal extension
123.	FAULK00031	FAULK00033	Email re: Employee rights
124.	FAULK00034	FAULK00034	Article about Tanner Thibodeaux
125.	FAULK00038	FAULK00050	Mitigation documents
126.	FAULK00051	FAULK00052	Howard LinekdIn Communications
127.	FAULK00053	FAULK00055	9/7 Application
128.	FAULK00056	FAULK00056	Nova transcript
129.	FAULK00057	FAULK00058	Professional references
130.	FAULK00059	FAULK00061	GSU transcript
131.	FAULK00062	FAULK00064	Executed Offer
132.			Dimerco Express Non-Disclosure and
	FAULK00065	FAULK00066	Security Agreement
133.	FAULK00067	FAULK00069	Dimerco Express Offer Letter
134.	FAULK00070	FAULK00070	Dimerco Benefits
135.			Dimerco Express (USA) Corp. Sales
	FAULK00071	FAULK00072	Incentive Program
136.	FAULK00073	FAULK00082	ADP Background Report
137.	FAULK00083	FAULK00083	Letter rescinding offer
138.	FAULK00084	FAULK00157	2019-2022 Bank statements

Plaintiff reserves the right to use any exhibits identified on Defendant's exhibit list.

Defendant's Objections (if any) to Plaintiff's Exhibits

The Parties moved to extend the time to file objections by noon on September 19th. This motion was not granted. Therefore, the Parties are proceeding with filing their objections.

Attachment G-2

Defendant's Exhibit List

This list does not apply to demonstrative aids, which are not to be tendered as evidence at trial, or to any exhibit that may be used for rebuttal or impeachment purposes only. Defendant has attempted to identify even those documents that it intends to use for impeachment purposes, but reserves the right to use any other evidence based on the testimony.

Trial	Bates Start	Bates End	Pa	Description	Admit	Deny
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1.			1	Plaintiff's Georgia Driver's License		
2.	DIMERCO002702	DIMERCO002703	2	Plaintiff's Resume		
3.			3	Email from Livingston International's		
				Allie Temkin to Lara Stewart re		
				Plaintiff's resume dated 07/22/22		
4.	DIMERCO000056	DIMERCO000057	2	Plaintiff's Resume		
5.			2	Plaintiff's Dimerco Express Application		
	DIMERCO000058	DIMERCO000059		dated 08/30/19		
6.			2	Calendar Invite from Dimerco to		
				Plaintiff re Account Executive (Phone		
	DIMERCO000063	DIMERCO000064		Screening) dated 08/23/19		
7.			1	Calendar Invite from to Renee Howard		
	DIMERCO000062	DIMERCO000062		re Account Executive dated 08/28/19		
8.			3	Offer of Employment letter from		
	FAULK00062	FAULK00063		Dimerco to Plaintiff dated 09/16/19		
9.			3	Email from Renee Howard to Plaintiff re		
	DIMERCO000126	DIMERCO000128		Background Report dated 09/27/19		
10.			10	Plaintiff's Background Screening		
	FAULK00073	FAULK00082		Results dated 09/26/19		
11.			2	Letter from Livingston International to		
				Plaintiff re abandonment of employment		
				dated 08/02/19		
12.			1	Dimerco Express Release and Consent		
				for Background Investigation form		
13.	FAULK00030	FAULK00037	8	Text messages from Renee Howard to		
				Plaintiff dating 09/12/19 to 05/12/20		
14.	FAULK00051	FAULK00052	2	Text messages from Renee Howard to		
				Plaintiff dating 06/03/20 to 05/12/20		
15.			53	Plaintiff's Employment file from		
	DIMERCO002696	DIMERCO002749		Livingston International		

16.	DIMERCO	DIMERCO		Plaintiff's Employment file from UPS	
17.				Plaintiff's Fulton County Arrest/Court	
	DIMERCO000199	DIMERCO000125		Records	
18.			1	Letter from attorney Catalina Alvarez to	
	DIMERCO002710	DIMERCO002710		Livingston International dated 09/06/19	
19.			1	Letter from Livingston International to	
				attorney Catalina Alvarez dated	l l
	DIMERCO002709	DIMERCO002709		09/24/19	
20.	DIMERCO000367	DIMERCO000372	5	R. Howard Power Point Initial	
21.	DIMERCO000374	DIMERCO000380	6	R. Howard Power Point Revised	
22.	DIMERCO002750	DIMERCO002752	3	Mecklenburg County Arrests - Faulk	
23.	DIMERCO002753		1	Jail Records Search Detail – Fulton Co.	
24.				Dimerco's Second Supplemental	
				Responses to Plaintiff's First	
				Interrogatories (10/27/22)	
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Plaintiff's exhibit list

Plaintiff's Objections (if any) to Defendant's Exhibits

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Attachment H-1

PLAINTIFF'S TRIAL BRIEF

The Parties respectfully request that they be permitted to file a trial brief, should they so elect, no later than seven (7) days before the pretrial conference.

Attachment H-2

DEFENDANT'S TRIAL BRIEF

The Parties respectfully request that they be permitted to file a trial brief, should they so select, no later than seven (7) days before the pretrial conference.

Attachment I-1

PLAINTIFF'S PROPOSED VERDICT FORM

The Parties respectfully request that they be permitted to file their proposed verdict forms no later than seven (7) days before the pretrial conference.

Attachment I-2

DEFENDANT'S PROPOSED VERDICT FORM

The Parties respectfully request that they be permitted to file their proposed verdict forms no later than seven (7) days before the pretrial conference.

IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT FOR THE NORTHERN DISTRICT OF GEORGIA ATLANTA DIVISION

KENNY FAULK,

Plaintiff,

v.

DIMERCO EXPRESS (USA) CORP.,

Defendant.

CIVIL ACTION NO: 1:21-cv-01850-MLB

CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I hereby certify that I have this day electronically filed the foregoing *Amended*Consolidated Proposed Pretrial Order with the Clerk of Court using the CM/ECF system which will automatically send email notification of such filing to all attorneys of record.

This 14th day of September, 2023.

/s/ V. Severin Roberts
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